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Dear Mr Mahon

## Planning Act 2008 (as amended)

Application by National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (National Grid) for an Order granting Development Consent for the Bramford to Twinstead Reinforcement

Applicant's Response to Preliminary Meeting Action

The Preliminary Meeting for the Bramford to Twinstead Reinforcement was held on 12 September 2023.

The enclosed report has been prepared in response to points raised by the Examining Authority at the Preliminary Meeting. The Examining Authority requested that the Applicant provide a post-meeting note in relation to verification surveys along the proposed temporary access route off the A131 for ecology, arboriculture and soils; and the assumptions made in the Environmental Statement (ES) in relation to best and most versatile (BMV) agricultural land, and an update in respect of the survey of bat roosts in buildings, in particular the residential property Hill View and its associated outbuildings.

A separate legal note is being prepared in response to the further matter raised by the Examining Authority regarding the adequacy of the environmental impact assessment and this will be submitted by the Applicant at Deadline 1.

Should there be any queries in relation to this letter please contact Nuno Fernandes of Jacobs ( ) in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

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